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UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 CFR 1.53(b) is a  
Nonprovisional Utility Patent:

☐ New Application; or a ☐ Continuation, ☒ Division,  
☐ Continuation-in-Part (CIP) Application of prior US  
application No. 10/045,490 filed on January 11, 2002; of

Inventors: (1) Takao KOBAYASHI  
(2) Atsushi KOJIMA  
(3) Kenjiro HIRATSUNA  
(4) Akito KONO

For (Title): BUSH CUTTING MACHINE

This transmittal letter has 3 pages.

Enclosed are:

- ☒ Enclosed are 28 sheets of drawings, along with 43 pages  
of specification, claims and abstract.
- ☒ Oath or Declaration Combined with Power of Attorney (2 pages)  
☐ Newly Executed (original or copy)  
☒ Copy from a prior application (if this is a  
Continuation/Division with no new matter)  
☐ Signed statement deleting named inventor(s) in prior  
application if this is a Continuation/Division (See 37 CFR  
1.63(d) and 1.33(b)).
- ☐ A certified copy of a \_\_\_\_\_ (non-US) application  
No. \_\_\_\_\_, having a filing date of \_\_\_\_\_.

22783 U.S. PTO

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☐ An Assignment Transmittal Letter and Assignment of the invention.

☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 35 CFR 1.9 and 1.27

☐ is enclosed

☐ was filed in prior application and such status is still proper and desired (37 CFR 1.28(a)).

☐ An information Disclosure Statement, with Form PTO-1449.

☒ PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

☒ Return Receipt Postcard.

Instructions:

☒ Incorporation by Reference (for Continuation/Division application). The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

☒ Priority of Application Nos. 2001-004233 filed January 11, 2001, 2001-006314 filed January 15, 2001, and 2001-006352 filed January 15, 2001 in Japan is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119. The certified copies

☐ have not been filed.

☐ is enclosed.

☒ were filed in parent application Serial No. 10/045,490

☒ The prior application is assigned of record to  
HONDA GIKEN KOGYO KABUSHIKI KAISHA

☒ The filing fee is calculated as follows:

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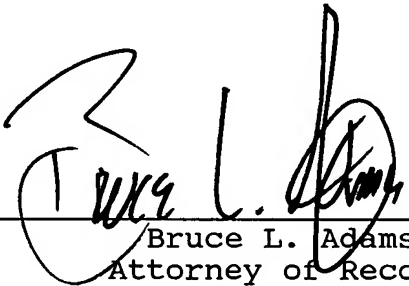
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APRIL 14, 2004

  
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Re: New patent application of Takao KOBAYASHI et al.  
for BUSH CUTTING MACHINE

comprising transmittal letter, title, specification, claims and abstract (43 pgs.), declaration and power of attorney, 28 sheets of formal drawings containing thereon Figs. 1-32, preliminary amendment, express mail certification and check in the amount \$770.00

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**EXPRESS MAIL CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.10**

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